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Corrimal v Canterbury.
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Second Round.

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2—Balmain or Glades v Annandale-Leichhar

3—St. George v Eastern 4—Granville v Pyrmont

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2 v 3
1 v 4

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Why Goals Are Scarce

the other fellows and let your attack look after itself." The Big Feature of Modern Football.

By a Scottish International Centre-Forward.

are the spice of football. annot be any doubt about ing the fact so far as the onlooker is concerned. has been suggested to me an once in the last season that spectators are not so much of the spice as aright to expect. When replied, as I am always to do, that perhaps the think goal-scoring a esier business than it acone particular friend of ings out figures which are a little bit startling.

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Division championship
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why no player with
club has beaten the
up by Bert Freeman,
years or so ago, of
goals himself in the
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as has been exceeded
since the war, but the
matches has also been

Good Games with the Score Blank

So far as I am concerned, it does not seem to matter very much whether a side wins the championship by superior defence or ultra-brilliant attack, or whether one man breaks the individual record in a season, so long as the general standard of play is satisfactory. Some of the best games in which I have ever taken part have ended as they started—with the score blank.

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However, granted that goals are not scored so frequently as they used to be, and that consequently the spectator is not so well satisfied with his football, it may be of interest to analyse the game as played just now with a view to finding out the reasons for the drop in the goal-scoring.

The first obvious reply, of course, is that forwards are not so good as they were-centre forwards especially. This may be true. I am not in the best position to judge, being a centre forward myself. And yet, when you come to think of it, there are other possible explanations of the drop in goal scoring which, my friend says, has been so noticeable in football of the past season or two. To my way of thinking, there cannot be any doubt about one important factor-that defensive methods all round have been tightened up considerably.

I have discussed modern football with dozens of old players, and on one point they are practically all agreed—that defensive play generally is of a higher standard than it used to be, not so much individually, but in the collective sense.

For one thing we have, speaking for the clubs as a whole, come to think it rather necessary for a full-back to be possessed of considerable speed. In the old days this was about the last thing asked of a full-back. It follows that the faster the full-backs the further can they advance up the field with safety, and the earlier nip the efforts of the opposition in the bud. Personally, I think the present standard of full-back play, in the combined sense, higher than it has ever been in my time.

The Defensive Centre-Half.

But there is a factor in this drop in goal-scoring even greater than the better combined play of the full-backs, and that factor is the defensive centre-half. It may be that club managers, as a whole, think that defence is better than attack for the centre-half, or it may be that by some curious coincidence we have just recently turned out a race of centre halfbacks whose ideas are more destructive than constructive. Whatever the cause, there does not seem to be any disputing the fact that the big business of the average centre-half in these days is to prevent the other fellows from getting goals, rather than in helping his own side to get them. In other words the centre-half, in whose pocket is the "policy" of every team, seems to have decided that defence comes first and attack afterwards.

It is not for me to individualise on this matter. Rather should I like the reader to look round for himself and try to find say, half a dozen attacking centre half-backs in the best class of football to-day. For every one of this type I guarantee that he will find seven or eight who obviously go on the field obsessed with the idea that their business is to prevent the opposing centre-forward from

geting goals.

The Policeman Centre-Half.

And, believe me, is isn't easy "stealing" goals with the policeman centre-half—usually a tremendous fellow—for ever on the track. When, instead of a race of destructors, we get a race of constructive centre-half-backs, then there will be more goals scored in big football, and the play as a whole will be better.

There is another ultra-modern tendency which should be worked, too, lest it should further affect goal-scoring. This tendency is for the two inside wing forwards to fall back on the slightest sign of danger.

I know wing half-backs to-day who will shout almost continuously through a match to their inside wing forward to come back to give them a helping hand. This is all very well in its way, and there are times when the help is urgently required. But the wing half should really try to do his

job so as to leave his forward line at full strength to beat the other fellows. We don't want the game to become a case of five half-backs and three forwards. If it does, then goals will indeed become scarce.

AFRICA WANTS AN AUSSIE TEAM.

(By A.J.B.).

(From the "Sydney Referee").

Last week I called attention to South Africa's playing standard, and suggested that Australia should invite a Springbok team to tour the Commonwealth and New Zealand next season. The F.A. is unlikely to send South Africa a team.

But the Africans suggest that an Australian team tour Africa. Mr. George Vander (formerly of Brisbane) sends me the following cutting from "The Cape Times"

on the subject:

"In view of the fact that the E.F.A. has sent a Soccer team to Australia, we have our doubts about the F.A. accepting our invitation. We do not think the F.A. in two successive seasons will be prepared to ask clubs to release players for oversea tours. Maybe in another two seasons England may send us a good professional team, and, incidentally, in view of our successes in Britain last year, I do not think the powers that be in Russell Square will consent to the trip unless they can send a really representative side. England cannot afford to take risks with the Soccer prestige, and from what transpired in Britain last season, I should think we are probably the strongest Soccer playing country of any of the British Dominions. I mean from a playing point of view. If this English tour cannot take place, and really I cannot see clubs releasing players two seasons in succession, it might not be a bad alternative plan to invite an Australian team over here.

Far Afield.

"It seems strange that English League Clubs should go so far afield as South Africa for players. I do not think it has ever been known in the history of Soccer for players to actually take trip to England for the set pose of playing in League ball, as Dave Murray and are on the eve of doing. South African-born players participated in English Lea Soccer, but they have had baptism in local league for as amateurs before entering ranks of First League clubs. by County once had its Eg forward, and Glasgow Rame went to Denmark, I think it for a centre-forward, whilst castle United were once term to go all out for a Spanish keeper, but no club has gone miles for players, as have Every and Liverpool."

(Jennings, a Sydney der, was engaged by To-Hotspur while he was taken in matches here, so Tohold the long distance

A.J.B.).

THE ENGLISH TO WELCOMED ON RE

London, A. A. Council meeting of the ball Association (Soccer) welcomed Mr. John Lewis A. C. Frowde, manager team which toured Australian decided to present them lum addresses, recording valuable services to the regard to the Australian South African tours. Cil decided to present each ber of the team with an tional cap and a gold

In acknowledging the Mr. Lewis said that the throughout were very too some of their displays we than those of some of the international teams here.

Mr. Lewis handed over Association the flag he from Sir Samuel Horder ney. He added that the going ahead in Australia pressed hope that Soccessoon become the predominant there.—Reuter.

WE WOULD LIKE TO

What the Juniors interpreted heat year to prevent juniors playing in underpotitions?

GARDINER CUP.

Kurri-v. Eastern Suburbs.

the "Newcastle Herald")

above teams met in their Gardiner Cup tie at the Ground on Saturday. of the unpleasant weaere was a large crowd pre-Eastern Suburbs were withaddocks and D. Pozdelik, going full-back, and Peel forwards, while Ballard Thompson came into the Kurri were as originally

Kurri.—Goal, N. Goodbecks, W. Stewart, and J. half-backs, S. Kidd, W. and R. Bower; forwards, J. Stewart, N. Price, M. and S. Garthland.

Suburbs.—Goal, W. backs, A. Bennie and A. half-backs, S. Peel, N. and W. Ballard; for-R. Noble, C. O'Connor, A. A Thompson, and R. Mait-

F. Harvey. won the toss, and kicked the Glebe goal. Smith ball in motion, but Thompwas stopped by Bower. to the left. Garthland and centred, Wyatt havstop Allen's shot. Kurri the attack, and Price , while McNabb's hard stopped by Wyatt. The team got away on the Nobbs put to O'Connor, to the left. Maitland the ball, and O'Connor in. Goodwin cleared. the ball, and Goodwin The game so far brilliant, with the forboth sides moving at a Neither side could raight, and at both ends missed. Kurri led arthland shot. Wyatt fist the ball as Stewart charged him. The ball to Price, who shot into Allen on the ground mouth. The reverse Ife into East's attack. cleared. The ball was in, when Beddow but could not clear th was on the ball, and Goodwin again clearing. wrned, Goodwin knockon to the post. It was going in, when Goodwin twisted round and knocked it away. Easts appealed for a goal, but the referee ignored the appeal. next thrill occurred at the other end, when Stewart's shot was cleared by Wyatt. The ball rebounded to Stewart, who again shot as Wyatt moved out, and blocked the ball. Half-time arrived with the score:-Kurri 1,

Eastern Suburbs, 0.

In the second half Kurri's first attack was put behind. Then Bennie cleared from Price. After this Easts had the better of the game. But the Kurri backs were very solid, and cleared under all conditions. The Sydney men tried hard, but were weak in their inside men. Smith could not get a move on before he was covered by defenders. Play fell away, and both sides appeared to tire. Near the end Kurri attacked, and Price found himself in front of goal with only Wyatt to beat, so Price sent the ball high over the bar, and lost a golden opportunity. The end arrived with the score: Kurri Kurri 1, Eastern Suburbs 0.

INTERSTATE SCHOOLS' SOCCER CONFERENCE.

Held at Education Department, Sydney, August, 1925, 2 sessions. Attendance: Messrs. Bishop, Reid, Archer (South Australia), Kinross, Bingham (Victoria), Walker, Bernoth (Queensland), Gordon, Lynch, Atkins (New South Wales) Decisions:-

1. "Re duration of games and substitutes," practice prevailing in "home" State be observed.

2. "Re 1926 Carnival," to be held in Adelaide early in August.

3. Recommendation to 1926 Conference that the 1927 carnival be staged in Melbourne.

4. Competitors in 1926 must not have exceeded their birthdays on 1st May, 1926.

5. The Commonwealth Football Association be urged to accept their responsibility and provide an Australian Challenge Trophy.

6. Preliminary organisation of a team to visit England was left to Mr. Bishop-Committee to consist of one representative per State. Each State to finance its quota. Percentage of representation and other details to be discussed by 1926 Conference. Ages preferred, not exceeding 15 years at 30th June. F. M. GORDON,

Gen. Hon. Sec. P.S.A.A.A., Sydney.

PROGRESS IN VICTORIA.

Mr. H. J. Dockerty (president of the V.F.A.), in a brief letter to the "Sydney Referee," says: "We are having a very successful season in Victoria, but what with the English visit and drawn Cup ties, it is going to be prolonged -probably the beginning of November before we close.

"Interest in the game is very marked, especially amongst the juniors, which augurs well for the code in our State. Altogether, the outlook for the game in this part of the continent is very bright, no doubt due in some degree to the recent visit of the English International team.

"I am afraid the gate charges were much too high for the English matches, and, in my opinion, this has resulted in a 50 per cent. benefit instead of the full 100 per cent. had the public received its due consideration, at least after the tour became a financial success. However, we hope for a much better organisation before the next International visit to or from this country.

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W. Wyatt

2-0. Pozdelik 1-A. Rigby

4-N. Wilkins 3-B. Thompson 5—T. Barber 6—S. Nobbs 7—C. O'Connor 9—S. Peel 8—J. Smith 10-R. C. Ma

0

7-C. Hayes

10-F. Melliar-Smith 20-R. Woods 8-H. Burns 6-A. Lawer 5—J. Picken 4—J. Tranter 3—R. Chiswell 2—G. Smart 12—T. Smart

L. Evans

ST. GEORGE

(Red and White Stripes)

Reserves-Eastern Suburbs: 11-Bouquet; 13-W. Thomas 14-A. Briggs.

Reserves-St. George: 9-W. Glachan; 12-C. Cavenor. Referee: G. McGrath.

Linesmen: Messrs. E. J. Martin and H. Battin.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP (GARDINER CUP). BALGOWNIE v. WESTON. AT BALGOWNIE -—— 3.15 P.M.

BALGOWNIE (Black and White)

H. Masters

1—P. Hunter 2—J. Parker 3—W. Johnstone 4—S. Learmonth 5—H. Johnston 6—A. McMahon 7—D. Ward 9—J. Scarlet 10—J.

8-J. Masters

(Team not available at press). WESTON

Reserves—Balgownie: 11—W. Adie. Referee: C. R. Brown.

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BALMAIN v. CANTERBURY. AT IBROX PARK ——— 3.15 P.M.

BALMAIN

(Black and Gold Stripes)

1—R. Leadbetter
2—S. Jelfs

J. Fisher
4—G. Storey
5—W. Byers

xter 7—H. McLeod
9—F. Hancock 10—F. Ramsay
8—J. Sinclair

1—Whitehead 4—R. Robinson 3—C. Loveridge 2—F. Clark 1—McLaren

Little. CANTERBURY

(Blue and Gold Stripes)

—Balmain: 11—C. O'Donnell; 20—N. White. —Canterbury' 11—Stamnard; 12—Alewood; 13—W. Cook

Referee: W. Wright. Linesmen: Messrs. H. Cockwell and F. C. Packer.

LINCOLN CUP.

MAIN v. EASTERN SUBURBS — 1.45 P.M. BALMAIN

W. Hughes

13—W. Ferguson 17—S. Jelfs
15—A. Robertson 16—L. Jelfs 14—R. White

Parker 18—R. Baxter 21—W. Orr 23—H. Watson 12—W. Buttel

O 21—J. Hetherington

Basterfield 22—Turville 20—W. Miller 19—S. Dickens
B—A. Gray 17—Ballard 16—O'Connor
15—T. Murtis 14—T. Maddocks

C. Jarvis

EASTERN SUBURBS (Red, White and Blue Stripes)

Balmain: 20—N. White; 24—W. Cunningham.

Eastern Suburbs: 24—Rafter; 25—A. Thomas.

Referee: T. Anderson.

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3—A. Owen 4—D. Downing 5—L

6—J. Gigg 7—G. Turner 9—L. Brisbane

2-J. Crum

0

7-F. Wright

10-H. Robertson 9-N. Henson 8-G. Macfarland

3—H. Spurway

4-W. Maizey 12____

2-E. Pont

1-S. Montgomer

F. Anderson

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14-Bainbridge

-Ritchie 16—Hawksley 17—Ladbury

19—Davies 20—Williams 21—D. McKay 22—Gates

0

30-J. Ashton

3-J. Wallace 16-J. Simmons 28-R. Murray

Fowler

13-D. Steel 26-H. Gay

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Results:-

First League.—Tottenham Hotspurs beat Woolwich Arsenal 1-0; West Ham beat Manchester United 1-0; Huddersfield and West Bromwich Albion, a draw, 1—1; Aston Villa beat Burnley, 10—0; Leicester City beat Liverpool, 3-1; Sunderland beat Birmingham, 3-1; Bolton Wanderers and Newcastle United drew, 2-2; Manchester City beat Cardiff, 3-2; Everton and Sheffield United drew, 2—2; Notts County beat Leeds United, 1—0; Bury beat Blackburn Rovers, 2-1.

Second League.—Chelsea beat Bradford City, 2-0; Middlebrough beat Portsmouth, 5-1; Portvale beat Clapham Orient, 2 -1; Sheffield Wednesday beat Fulham, 3-0; South Shields beat Swansea, 2-1; Oldham Athletic beat Barnsley, 2—1; Wolver-hampton beat Preston Northland, 3-0; Darlington and Notts Forest drew, 0-0; Hull City and Derby County drew, 0-0; Blackpool beat Southampton, 2-1: Stoke City beat Stockport County, 3---0.

The centre forward Buchan. for whose transfer Woolwich Arsenal agreed to pay Sunderland £100 for every goal he kicked in addition to £1500 in cash, is not proving costly so far in the new season. In each of the opening games he has failed to score.

The aggregate attendance at football yesterday was 775,000.

The amended off-side rule welcomed, resulting in brighter and faster football and fewer stoppages. Contrary to expectations, goals are still hard to obtain. To-day's 64 Anglo-Scottish matches produced 180 goals, compared with 127 on the opening day of 1924.

Balgownie v. Corrimal.

(From the "South Coast Times")

Last week's game at Corrimal between the two best teams on the Coast whetted the appetite of those who like good vigorous football. There were no lulls in the game despite the heavy wind. Referee C. Brown kept absolute control, and although injuries were more than usual they were in all cases the results of accidents, rather than of foul play. The local team were unlucky in losing A. Druery just on half time, colliding with J. Masters he twisted his knee in falling and probably will not be able to play again this year. Cob Jones and Arthur Kerr were also injured. but their injuries were also accidents. The pick of the paddock was Critcher, who on his recent form is the best full back in the State. For Corrimal, with the exception of Jones and A. Kerr, who were injured in the first half and consequently could not give of their best, all players showed fine form. With the exception of Scadding and H. Masters (the latter playing at outside left) Balgownie played their usual game. To-morrow's game should be witnessed by a record crowd. Gate takings at Corrimal were over £27.

Corrimal Ground.

The recent returns at Corrimal have put new heart into the local team. They are going ahead with a scheme for further improvements. Plans have been passed for a dressing room; it will be a brick structure of two rooms, two bathrooms, and store room, and will cost £125.

A resident of the town who is not in business has offered £5 towards the dressing room provided five other gentlemen donate a like amount. This is the spirit that will help the club make Corrimal the prentier sporting ground on the Coast. should surely not be much difficulty in finding another five gentlemen imbued with the same sporting spirit.

During the close season, the playing area will be thoroughly top-dressed.

OLD STYLE.

THEY SAT

That the Balgo game in the Metro warra knock-out com Saturday, at the State Ground No. 2, will game.

The odds are on Cup Final being plant castle.

Corrimal will be Adamstown in the to-day, but that Barbe at Weston.

That there is ever the finalists for the Illawarra knock-out ville and Granville.

That it is good land ville Seconds, that P onds did not get and to play them in the L

Referee Bates is and is a very popular

The "Professional the South Coast is a and that the amateur liberal expenses than

There is great rive the three lowest clubs petition-Pyrmont, E urbs, and St. George them being desirous "wooden-spooners" year of district foot

Gladesville-Ryde. in under the district distinctly unfortunate won the Metropolitan in the first year.

That Alf. Edwards full-back than a central played a great game

That Gladesville made cal error in not "feet wings in the second half as soon as it was real centre-forward Wright ing an off day, some should have been transthat position.

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well that ends well, ele, can have the cenposition for life if he

Robertson deserves for his tact and dibringing the team cory.

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is a good move, as a Granville itself is re-

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ULD LIKE TO KNOW.

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rision was not called sion of the appeal.
Totes in favor of the upheld, and 14 who at all, while only 11 the appeal.

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FARMER'S

Pitt, Market & George Streets.

Whether Granville intend supporting Auburn's affiliation for a district next year, and if Auburn are admitted, who will be dropped?

Whether the New South Wales scheme is going to eventuate, and if so what effect it will have on the district scheme.

WASTING TIME.

At a meeting of the Tasmanian Soccer Association a referee reported instances of players deliberately kicking the ball out of touch for the purpose of wasting time.

It was resolved to bring the matter under the notice of the Tasmanian Council with a view to urging the International Board (through the Commonwealth Association) to introduce a law of the game whereby a free-kick could be awarded against a player deliberately kicking out for the purpose of wasting time.

S.A. DOWN TASMANIA.

The Interstate match between Tasmania and South Australia attracted about 2000 Soccerites at North Hobart ground on Saturday afternoon. Among those present were the Governor, Sir James O'Grady, Bishop Hay, and other notabilities. The Governor kicked off to the accompaniment of hearty cheers.

South Australia played with great determination, and secured two goals before Tasmania started to score. Just before half-time Stonor scored Tasmania's first goal, and at the bell South Australia led 2—1. In the second half Tasmania equalised. Subsequently South Australia forged ahead and won by 4 goals to 3.

For South Australia, Addie played a clinking game, and splendid work was also done by Cameron, Inkersoll, Draper, and Walls. Norman, of Tasmania, was easily the best man of the day, and Honeysett, Stonor, and Holton were his best supporters.

B GRATE

Metropolitan Junior Association

Officers.

Mr. A. Robinson, Hon. Secretary, succeeded Mr. J. Fitzgibbon, who was transferred to Orange in the service of the N.S.W. Govt. Railways.

Mr. Robinson was the Hon. Secretary of the late Dulwich Hill Football Club two years where he demonstrated his worth as an organiser and capable Secretary. In season 1924, Mr. Robinson was asst. Hon. Secretary of the M.J.S.F.A., when he gave the then Secretary, Mr. Fitzgibbon, considerable assistance in many and various duties associated with his office; his work in committee was keen, and he rendered valuable service in) the management of the Association. At the annual meeting, season 1925, he was again elected asst. Hon. Secretary. On the resignation of Mr. J. Fitzgibbon, he was elected Hon. Secretary of the Association, in which position he has worked with untiring effort, giving of his best which has been keenly appreciated by his fellow officers; he is a good debater, and a staunch believer in the cause of junior football, where he gets a great deal of happiness.

The Hon. Treasurer.

Mr. Geo. Harget, Hon. Treasurer, is well known to most football followers, being a member of the Sydney Referees' Association for many years. Mr. Harget was a member of the Management Committee during season 1924, where he rendered trojan service. On Mr. E. D. Jones not seeking re-election in 1925, Mr. Harget was elected Hon. Treasurer. Treasurer Mr. Harget is always on the lookout for the dollar, and like all successful Treasurers he is not keen on seeing money paid out once he gets his hands on

Mr. Harget has given valuable assistance to the Association, always ready and willing to give his services for the advancement of the code. He is deserving of great praise for the time given and the work achieved on Primrose Park, and only one possessed of a love for the game and the juniors could give such service. It is hoped he will continue long

in office for the benefit of the Junior Association.

Assistant Hon. Secretary.

Mr. W. Rudd, the baby of the Association, Hon. Secretary of Avoca during seasons 1924 and 1925, was paid the compliment of being the most ficient Club Secretary during season 1924, when 40 odd clubs were affiliated. At the annual meeting of this season, Mr. J. Fitzgibbon being on the lookout for a good asst. Hon. Secretary, nominated Mr. Rudd, who was duly elected, thus confirming his choice.

Mr. Rudd, who is only 17 years of age, is apprenticed to a firm of Public Accountants in the city, he being of pleasant, unassuming disposition, always wearing a genial smile, a willing worker, and

popular officer.

FIXTURES FOR SATUR-URDAY, SEPT. 5th, 1925.

Charity Cup. Easton Park v Lilyfield B, Primrose Park, 3.15. Leichhardt Juniors v Newtown

Juniors (deferred). Granville Cup Final. Botany Rechabites v Wentworth Juniors, Primrose Park, 1.45. C Grade, Division 1-Photo Competition.

Erskineville Rangers v Lilvfield. Cooks River, 3 p.m.

Annndale Athletic v Annandale Waratahs, Algie Park, 2 p.m. Leichhardt Juniors the bye. C Grade, Division 2-Photo Com-

petition. Rozelle Waratahs v Alexandria, Algie Park, 3.15. Balmain Gladstones v Wentworth Juniors (deferred).

COMPETITION TABLES.

					Goals				
	ALL AGE								
	P	W	L	D	В	F	A	Pts	
L'hardt Js	12	11	. 1	-	3	45	12	22	
City United	12	10	2		3	50	9	20	
*Glebe Dia.	11	3	6	2	3	15	30	8	
*Five Dock	11		9	-		15	40	4	
Plywood Rov.	12	1	9	- 2	3	7	41	4	
A GRADE									
	Goals								
	P	B	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	
Lilyfield	12	10	-	2	2	53	13	22	
Easton Park	12	9	1	2	2	26	5	20	
Newtown Js.	12	7		3	. 2	16	10	17	
Alexandria J									
	12	5	7	-	2.	20	35	10	
Sunlight	12 12	5 4	7 8	二		20			

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Sunlight . . . Leichhardt J

Lilyfield . . 12 10 Rozelle Wara 12 10 Banksmeadow 12 An. Federals 12 *Warren Av. 11 Punch Park 12 *L'hardt Js. 11 Denotes one match

C GRADE, DIVI

	P	W	L			
Wentwth Js.	12	11	-			
Rozelle Wara	12	7	3			
Lilyfield	12	5	3			
An. Waratahs	12	6	4			
L'hardt Js.	12	3	6			
Bal Gladstone	12	2	2			
Five Dock	12	-	11			
C GRADE DIV						

	P	W	LI
Botany Recs	16	13	1
Alexandria	16	12	2
Ers'ville Rgs	14	9	5 -
An. Athletic	14	5	9 -
Glebe Jnrs.	14	2	11
Stanmore Utd	14	-	13

DO YOU KNO

The capital invest English tour is being Associations and in vestors immediately small profit has been tour, and this will over until the account audited early in October

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"Poor Bickers has wife," hearted Sair "What's the trouble his friend. "She not the broomstick over made him go to the another."

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George: Don't you that we ought to know better before we get

Mamie: I am afra us would be willing to if we did.

JUNIOR BOARD OF CONTROL.

HOBART WANDERERS V. METROPOLIS. SOUTH HOBART

(Red and Blue)

Inman .

1—Cruise (Capt.)

2—Anning

-Griffith

4-Douglas

5-Eberle

7—Joseph 8—Woods 9—Tait

10—Sainsbury

6-Bowman

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8—Allen 7—Haynes 9—Allan Mamond (Manly) (M.J.F.A.)

(E. Suburbs) (Canterbury) 3-Watson

_____. Chessel . P.C.S.F.A.)

4—Hornby (E. Suburbs)

(M.J.F.A.)

2-Froome (M.J.F.A.) 1—Crowhurst (Canterbury)

Kelly (Canterbury)

METROPOLIS (Red, White and Blue)

Juniors' Visit.

Hobart Wanderers, mbination, arrived in Sunday, and were wharf by the Chair-tary of the Board, Howard and F. C. meder with delegates arious Associations Board.

managed by Mr. those son is a player, combination, pracunder 21 years. all their own enses, whilst Soccer kindly arranged lavers during their miney.

trip to be underby means of etc., raised the £120, to pay for a magnificent the first junior leave Tasmania to gth against New teams.

part of the itinerary by the Junior trol, who have arprogramme entertainments.

set down are:— 1st, v Manly As-Manly. Thursday, 3rd, v. P.C.S.F.A., at Primrose Park.

Saturday, 5th, v Combined Metropolis, at Canterbury.

Wednesday, 9th, they will conclude their Sydney matches by playing a return match against Metropolis at Canterbury Sports

During their stay in Sydney all members have been made honorary members of the N.S.W. Sports Club, which is very much appreciated by the players.

At Manly.

The first match of the tour was played on Tuesday last, on Manly Oval, which had been made available by the local Council.

The team were given a civic welcome by the Mayor of Manly prior to the match; he presented to each player an autographed copy of the views of the village. The team selected by the Manly Association deserves very great credit for the exhibition of football they displayed; they were very unfortunate in being defeated 3-2, a penalty goal being awarded against them in the second half. Despite the sodden ground the Tasmanian team also gave a splendid exhibition, the passing movements being excellent. The teams were fairly even, and gave the few hundred spectators a good game.

The match will do much for the future of the game at Manly, and the officials of the Association appreciate to the full the honor of having the first match of the Tasmanian itinerary played in their area.

To-day's Game.

To-day, at Canterbury, the visitors will be pitted against a strong combined Metropolis eleven and will need to be all out to secure the honors.

After the match the teams will be entertained at a dinner by the Junior Board of Control.

The team to represent the Metropolis in the return match on Wednesday will be selected after the match to-day.

GRANVILLE ASSOCIATION WINNERS.

By defeating Canterbury Association last Saturday, Granville secured the honor of "Champion Association of the Metropolis," which carries with it the holding of the Association Cup, presented by the M.S.F.A., for the next twelve months.

That these matches have created enthusiasm amongst the players is beyond doubt, all being anxious to secure honors of representing the Metropolis against the Tasmanians, and also the Newcastle Juniors, who are due to visit us during the present month.

WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

Whether next year will be barren of International visits, or whether the officials will see to it that Soccer is kept on the map.

Whether the Fiji players who desire to come here and play barefoot, can play football well, or whether they are "duds."

Whether South Africa is going to invite an Australian team to tour South Africa next year?

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Protestant Churches Association

Last Saturday Holy Trinity A very nearly went under to St. Clements. The game was fast, but clean, from beginning to end, though the heavy rain tended to spoil the latter part of the game. The final result (a draw) was a true reflex of the game.

Unexpectedly Holy Trinity B proved themselves too good for St. Stephens by the odd goal in five. However, Trinity players want to watch themselves, and when ordered off the field should appear the following Tuesday.

In third grade there were no

surprises.

To-day's Games.

To-day Holy Trinity A (First Grade Premiers) and Lakemba Congs. A (2nd Grade A Premiers) meet at Lakemba. Though the Congs. will be minus the services of "Mutt" Chessell (who is playing against Tasmania), the advantage of playing on their own ground should more than compensate them. All Saints A and Campsie Meths. A meet at Wardell Road No. 2, and it is thought that unless the Saints can reproduce their earlier form, the Meths. will have a walk-over.

All Souls and St. Bartholomews will play their deferred K.O. match at Campsie. On paper Souls should win. Croydon Congs A and Holy Trinity B will play the semi-final at Croydon. The Congs. should win, though Trinity reckon they won't.

The match of the day will be the early game on Leichhardt Flat, St. Bedes v St. Thomas A. This will be two games in one, as it will count as a K.O. match, also as competition match. Should the Rozelle team get there then the competition is theirs. Should St. Bedes win—and they have every chance—then St. Thomas will need to look to their laurels.

St. Silas should win, but Botany Meth. B will have to move to towel their contemporaries.

Tommy Vaux.

Though six months late this paper extends its hearty congratulations to Tommy, of St. Aidans. Bring the wife along, Tom, and

let her witness the presentation of your trophy.

The Tasmanians.

The P.C.S.F.A. extends a hearty welcome to Manager Douglas and his merry boys, and wishes them every success. The Churches were present when they landed, and played them last Thursday, gave them dinner at the Club, and then, by the courtesy of Sir Ben Fuller, a theatre party in the evening.

Presentation of Trophies.

This will take place in the Marrickville Town Hall, at 7.45 p.m., on Thursday, 1st October, 1925.

DRAW FOR SATURDAY, 12th SEPTEMBER.

First Grade K.O.

Teams to be notified.

2nd Grade K.O.

Teams to be notified.

3rd Grade, A Division.

Rozelle Meth. v Balmain Meth., Concord, 3.15. Annandale Meth. v St. Johns B,

Croydon, 3.15.

Marrickville Pres. B v St. Bedes,Lakemba, 3.15.St. Thomas A v Austens, Leichhardt Flat, 1.45.

Lakemba Congs. B the bye.

3rd Grade, B Division.

H. Park Meth. v Botany Meth.B, Centen. No. 1, 3.15.St. James v St. Silas, Centen. No. 1, 1.45.

Botany Pres. v Campsie Congs, Campsie, 1.45.

Croydon Congs. B v St. Thomas B, Croydon, 3.15. Campsie Meth. the bye.

FIRST GRADE

				Goals				
	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	
Holy Trinity A	13	12	0	1	64	4	25	
Alox Mission A	12	9	2	1	28	13	19	
St. Clements .	13	8	3	2	25	16	18	
All Saints A .	13	8	8	0	33	26	10	
Austens	10	5	4			18		
Drum. Bapt	13	4	9			35		
Pyrmont Congs.	13	1	11			42		
St. Johns A .	8	0	6	2	10	25	2	
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SECOND

A Divi

Lakemba Cong A 14
H. Pk. Congs 14
Tempe Pk Meth. 16
Concord Meth. 14
M'kville Pres. A 16
Cant'bury Meth. 14
M'kville Bapt. 18
St. Andrews 18

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B D B Campsie Meth A 1 Botany Meth A 1 B Bartholomews 1 Holy Trinity B 1 E Enmore K.S.P. 1 Alex Mission B 1 St Peters K.S.P. 1 City Mission . 1 B

2nd GR

St. Aidans A. 14
All Souls 14
Croydon Cong A 1
L'hardt Meth . 18
St. Stephens . 14
All Saints B. 18
St. Johns Glebe 14
St. Albans . . 11

KEEPING GOACUP FUNDAMENTAL COLUMN TO SERVICE COL

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STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

ADAMSTOWN v. CORRIMAL.

AT NEWCASTLE.

CORRIMAL.

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1—A, Druery 2—P. Critcher

—A. Kerr 4—A. Crum 5—W. Harrigan
wis 7—V. Williamson 9—W. Young 10—W. Kerr
8—J. Suddick

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(Team not available at press).

ADAMSTOWN

Corrinal: 11-A. Rhodes; 12-N. Power.

Referee: A. W. Bates.

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you about it, and may be inclined more pity for the than some of days. My team Leeds, in Januthe occasion, as I Round Cup-tie. I believe the linesmen considhalf an hour as eart the match at howled, the snow the thermometers ming to break their lower than they known to get.

confessing as I the ground half

an hour before the match was due to start, that I hoped to goodness the referee would prove weakkneed and call the match off. Alas, this referee was no weakling, though some of us thought that he suffered from the complaint supposed to be peculiar to goalkeepers. Be that as it may, he decided that we had to play. And from his decision there was no appeal. You may say it was bad for all the players, with the snow driving across the field so that sometimes it was impossible to see from one end to the other. But the other fellows could run about to keep themselves warm. No such luck for the poor goalkeepers, however.

I can see myself now, pacing up and down that goal-line, with snow overhead and slush at my I would blow on my hands occasionally, then do some armswinging exercise, and at each goalpost kick my boots against the woodwork to shake off the "patties," as they call them in Lancashire—meaning, of course, the snow which had collected on the soles of my boots. I think I stopped a few shots, though how I did it I don't know, because I was scarcely conscious of the possession of either hands or feet. I know, though, that I let two go past me, and that I should have saved one, except that I was struck in the slosh and could not move in time.

Even to the most terrible of all Cup-ties, however, there was what might be considered a silver lining, from my point of view. In the first half, we fellows had played with the blizzard at our

backs. Five minutes after the interval, when we had to face the elements, the bravery of the referee oozed out and he called the game off. Talk about thankful! That day certainly made me think that goalkeeping is the world's worst job.

There are one or two other points about goalkeeping in big Cup-ties which I may allude to here. Everybody knows all about the tremendous excitement which is inevitably associated with all the big Cup games. It is in the air, everywhere. The players get it, too. But I want to suggest that the goalkeeper may get it worst of all—partly because of his peculiar position, and partly because of the nature of his job.

To take the latter point first. The goalkeeper's job is different from that of every other member of the team, insomuch as he stands on his own as the last hope of his side, and that any mistake he makes may prove fatal—may mean exit from the Cup for his side. Blunders of forwards, halfbacks, or full-backs can be passed over, because the direct effect is seldom seen plainly. But if the goalkeeper makes a blunder which costs his side a goal, it may prove a painful memory indeed. And the fact that there is nobody to remedy his mistakes might prove a big worry to a goalkeeper, unless he possessed the right sort of temperaments.

Fancy standing beneath the bar, waiting for a high, dropping centre in a big Cup-tie, and feeling that perhaps the actual destination of the trophy depends on you clearing that high centre. Woe to the goalkeeper who, in that period of waiting which seems like hours, begins to think of the possibility of making a mistake. I fancy the goalkeeper feels the excitement and the importance of the occasion more than any other player, because the others are running about and doing things quickly.

Then the goalkeeper can't get away from the excited throng. He can hear their remarks, feel the excitement which is in the atmosphere, and perhaps, if he makes a mistake, have to put up with the sarcasm which arises from their disappointment.

Of course, the job of goalkeeping has its compensations, but those must be written about at another time.

M.S.F.A.

To-day's Games.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Corrimal v Adamstown, Newcastle Tramway Ground, 3.15. Referee, A. W. Bates. Balgownie v Weston, Balgownie.

Referee, C. R. Brown.

Cessnock v Kurri Kurri, at Weston, 3.15. Referee, J. Nicholson.

METROPOLITAN-ILLAWARRA KNOCK-OUT.

Gladesville-Ryde v Annandale-Leichhardt, Sydney (Cricket Ground, No. 2. Referee, J. Lester. Linesmen, D. Brown and Ashby.

Premiership.

Eastern Suburbs v St. George. Easton Park, 3.15. Referee, G. M'Grath; linesmen, E. J. Martin and H. Battin.

Cronin Cup.

Balmain v Canterbury, Ibrox Pk., 3.15 p.m. Referee, W. Wright; linesmen, Cockwell and F. C. Packer.

Lincoln Cup.

Balmain v Eastern Suburbs, Ibrox Park, 3.15 p.m. Referee, T. Anderson.

Gladesville-Ryde v Granville, Sydney Cricket Ground No. 2, 1.45. Referee, J. Doidge.

RESULTS OF LAST SATURDAY'S GAMES.

Premiership Final.

Granville defeated Gladesville-Ryde 2-1.

State Championship.

Kurri Kurri defeated Eastern Suburbs 1-0.

Metropolitan-Illawarra Knock-out Balgownie defeated Corrimal 2-

Lincoln Cup.

Balmain defeated Canterbury 3

Sunlight Cup Final. Auburn defeated Sunlight 1-0.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	Goals					
	P. W	L	D	F	Al	Pts
Granville	14 11	2	1	45	20	23
Gladesville			-	38	22	22
Canterbury			1	23	20	15
Balmain		6 -	_	21	15	14
AnnLeichhardt	14 5	8	1	21	31	11
St. George	13 2	8	3	20	28	7
E. Suburbs	13 3	9	1	19	34	7
Pyrmont	13 2	8	3	16	32	7

SUCCESS OF DISTRICT SCHEME.

Professionalism Fails.

(By Sirocco).

Surely there never was so ominous a sign of the failure of the attempt to introduce professional Soccer as disclosed by a review of the gate receipts at the matches played under the breakaway Illawarra Association. The scheme was doomed to failure from its inception, because, primarily, it lacked the support of those associations who are concentrating on the establishment of clubs which will command public patronage by the quality of the game's exponents. The New South Wales public demand quality, not quantity.

To ensure success as professionals-or amateurs for that matter-players must have real ability, uncommon talent, and be able to exploit the possibilities of artistic football. Good football has its cash value. It is well worth consideration in this regard that during the present season of district football Granville received as its share of the gates in the metropolitan premiership more than double that of any other club. Granville received £115/-5/2, whilst Annandale is next with £50/2/6. This is a simple -perhaps humble-illustration of the possibilities of the future under the same capable control featured during the season now closing. Granville attracted attention and made its profit because the club possesses a capable eleven. If the whole of the eight clubs participating in the premiership were as adept as Granville, and had command of a home ground, it is reasonable to visualise that instead of the viding £562/8/5 that see be doubled.

The essence of the comments is to suggest present time is opportun promotion of unanimit all organisations function the advancement of the

Cause of Breaka

The root cause of breakaways of the past antagonism to the dist of the Metropolitan The corroding influence football limited opport the nourishment of asp ers, owing to the war necessary finance to legitimate activities of The success of the dist comes as a timely comes to substantiate the used by its sponsors at duction. Mere antago combativeness are not reasons for opposing which aims at the dec tion of the game and lishment of eight strong the metropolis.

During the off season est endeavour will be the officials of the N Wales and Metropolitan tions to secure the reha of the Illawarra, St. German Ryde Associations—the away organisations. It ter of sufficient moment ought to be given some by the members of the tions named. The outlo code was never brighter requires the united action tional officials to attain est pinnacle of success they the initiative to accomp golden opportunity?

APPEAL FAILS

Pyrmont's appeal again decision of the M.S.F.A. ment Committee regarding judged forfeit of its ma Granville was heard last night by a special general ing of the Association. peal was unsuccessful. accordingly play Gladesvi

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